

Rai Valley Area School

Newsletter



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Tumuaki's Report

Kia ora koutou,

A week of settled weather has been a blessing and has certainly helped during our Years 1-7 Fundamental Skills week. It is nice to see our students enjoying being outdoors and growing those key skills.

On Tuesday, this week, Vanessa Carver's Year 1-2 class moved into their refurbished classroom. The facilities are fantastic and the young people are already enjoying the new space and are settling in well.

This weekend, The Mako Women rugby team will be training on our school field. This marks the start of exciting period were the rugby club begins using the field and facilities for training purposes. The fields will be marked out this week and students and whānau are welcome to come down and watch these awesome athletes train. You may also notice that there are a lot of winter sports codes gearing up and you'll find a number of them advertising muster days in this edition of the newsletter. While our location can be a challenge, taking on a winter sport has many benefits for our young people and I hope some of them take up the opportunities.

Monday 14th March is a Teacher Only Day. The school will be closed to students. While I recognise the disruption this is a moment to up-skill our staff on some of the diverse students needs in our teaching spaces.

Finally, as I am sure you can appreciate the ground continues and will continue to shift around Covid and managing education under Red Settings and omicron. Earlier we sent out some information including a simplified flowcharts that we've had good feedback on.

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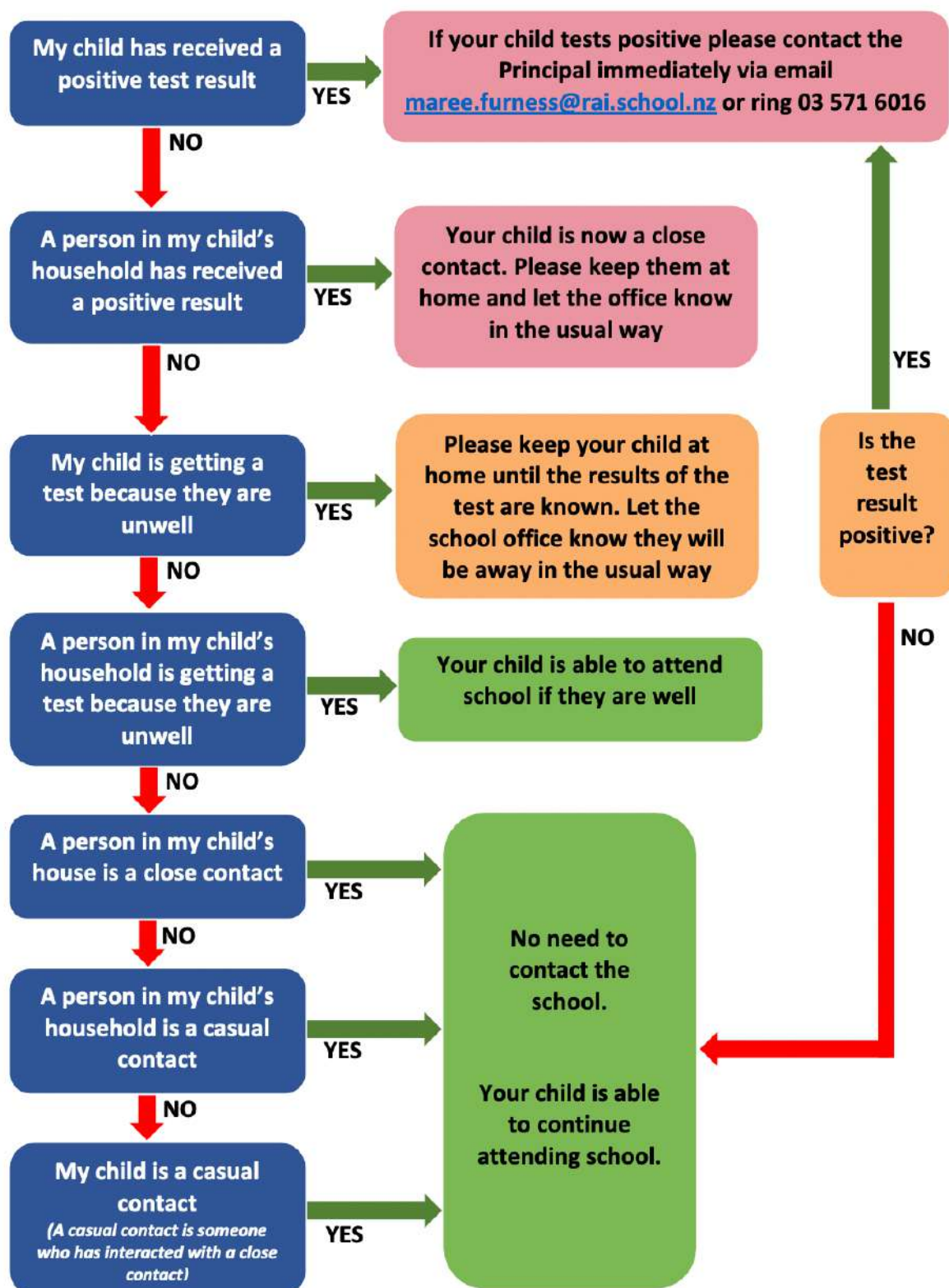
It has been included also in this edition of the newsletter and I hope you will find in useful in helping to navigate these tricky times.

Noho ora mai

Maree Furness

Covid Under Phase 2

Some information to help you navigate these tricky times



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Explaining COVID-19 Contacts (Phase 2)

What is the difference between a positive case, household/whānau of a positive case and a close contact?

Household/Whānau - People who live in your house with you

Positive Cases - Someone who has tested positive for COVID 19

Close Contact - Someone who has had contact with a person with COVID 19 when they were infectious

You or your child tests positive	Household members of a positive case	You or your child are a <u>close contact</u> of a positive case	
Self-isolate for 10 days (Your child and your household/Whānau will also need to self-isolate)	Self-isolate for 10 days	<i>Close contact</i>	<i>Household member of close contact</i>
Provide all necessary information to contact tracers to help them identify other close contacts	Test on day 5 and then again on day 8	The close contact must isolate for 7 days, get a test on day 5	All other members of the household can continue as normal monitoring for symptoms
Test on day 5 and then again on day 8	You can stop isolating and RETURN to normal life once you have received a negative day 8 test and the 10 days have passed.	You can stop isolating and RETURN to normal life once you have received a negative day 5 test and the 7 days have passed	<i>If you develop any symptoms, you should get a test</i>
You can stop isolating and RETURN to normal life once you have received a negative day 8 test and the 10 days have passed. <i>You will be notified of your test result (negative or positive) by text</i>	<i>You will be notified of your test result (negative or positive) by text</i>	<i>You will be notified of your test result (negative or positive) by text</i>	
CASUAL CONTACTS STUDENTS COME TO SCHOOL & YOU CONTINUE WITH YOUR NORMAL ROUTINES <i>Monitor for symptoms and get tested if feeling unwell</i>			

Calendar Dates

Thursday 3rd March

Board of Trustees Meeting (Change of Date)

Monday 7th & Tuesday 8th March

Years 0-6 Parent-Teacher Conferences (Online)

Monday 14th March

Teacher Only Day

Monday 21st March

Years 11-13 Parent Teacher Conferences (Online)

Monday 28th March

Years 7-10 Parent Teacher Conferences (Online)



This sad collection was taken from a very small section of our field after morning break.

It would great to see these things make it home in lunchboxes so they could be recycled or put into council sacks and didn't end up on our lovely fields.

Please have a chat to your young people about respecting their environment



School News

Uniform

Lately we have a number of students out of uniform. Often we see this in winter when it is sometimes harder to get clothes washed and dried in time for Monday after a wet weekend. However, with the weather better I am asking that parents and caregivers please check that their year 7-13 students leave home in correct uniform. They are also expected to arrive home in correct uniform.

One those occasions when this is not possible, we do expect students to arrive with a note with the date and the item they need an exception for and how long they will need it for. We can then issue a temporary uniform pass for the missing item.

Students who continue to arrive in incorrect uniform without a note excusing them will have those items of clothing confiscated (where practicable).

If you have trouble obtaining uniform items for your student, please do get in touch we have a number of ways we might be able to help. On the next few pages is a copy of our dress code for easy referral.

Ngā mihi
Mike Wilson



**Pelorus Rugby Football Club
Junior Muster Day
Rippa & Tackle Rugby**

**Thursday 10th March
From 3:30pm**

**Havelock Domain
Traffic Light System Applies & Please Sign In**

Check out Sporty for 2022 Registration Forms
www.sporty.co.nz/pelorusrugby

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KAITUNA RIDGES RAMBLE

Saturday 9th April 2022
12km WALK / RUN

A spectacular 12km Walk / Run around the ridgeline of the Kaituna Ridges Farm at the base of the Pelorus Sound. The challenging track will take you through large areas of native bush, and along steep hillsides clothed in pasture which offer extensive views of both the Pelorus & Queen Charlotte Sounds.

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www.kaitunaridgesramble.kiwi.nz

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Kaituna Ridges Ramble is a Community Fundraiser for Pelorus Community Preschool – Kohungahunga o Te Hoiere.
Proudly supported by Pelorus Area Health Trust's Community Grant Scheme.





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UNIFORM POLICY PROCEDURE 2020 onwards

When in uniform, students are representing Rai Valley Area School. Maintaining the uniform in good condition and wearing it correctly reflects pride in yourself and the school. Wearing the school uniform is intended to develop a sense of belonging to a quality organisation and to encourage students to positively identify with the school and its values.

Students should be well groomed and maintain an acceptable standard of personal hygiene.

All items must be clearly named, every care will be taken to minimise the possibility of loss of property and encourage honesty in students. The school will not be held responsible for losses.

Uniform should be worn:

- On the way to and from school.
- During School hours.
- On school outings.

1. Students are expected to wear correct uniform when required to be in uniform including moving to and from school and during school trips when required.
2. Personal appearance and grooming will adhere to the following guidelines:
 - a. Uniform must always be neat, tidy and clean.
 - b. Hair must be tidy and off the face.
 - c. Any makeup must be unobtrusive, and this includes nail polish.
 - d. No visible jewellery except for a watch and taonga, 2 pair of earrings - sleepers or studs and Medic Alert bracelets. Nose piercings must be clear stud.
 - e. No tongue or other body visible piercings.
 - f. Only Visible Cultural Tattoos are permitted with parent/guardian permission
 - g. No scuffs or jandals
 - h. No offensive language or symbols on clothing or apparel at any time, including mufti days.
 - i. No underclothing is to be visible.
3. This process will be clear to all students and parents.
4. The school uniform policy takes into account the Human Rights Act.
5. When wearing mufti, the standard of dress must be an acceptable and tidy nature - as determined by the Management Team.
6. The school shall endeavour to assist students whose families have difficulty purchasing the correct uniform. This may be in the form of a letter to WINZ, passing on donated used uniforms or issuing uniform items for the day.
7. In Science and Tech rooms SHOES MUST BE WORN, HAIR MUST BE TIED UP to comply with Health & Safety regulations.

School News

Years 0-6: OPTIONAL

Board will be surveying in 2021 to see if community want to see a primary uniform introduced.

- Navy RVAS sports top (purchase from school office)
- ANY Plain Black bottoms
- Modest swimwear, No bikinis, Rash tops encouraged.
- Compulsory - Cancer Society approved Plain Navy Wide brimmed or bucket hat Terms 1 & 4

Years 7-11: COMPULSORY options:

Tops

- Sky blue collared polo shirt. Sky blue or white thermal (long or short sleeved) may be worn underneath.
- White collared polo shirt or plain white short sleeved school blouse. White thermal (long or short sleeved) may be worn underneath.
- Navy blue school logo polar fleece (purchase from school office). **Currently looking at alternate options to Fleece**
- Plain black puffer or weathershield jacket.
- Official TOSI Sweatshirts may be worn for 1 week after annual Area School Tournament.

Bottoms

- Long navy blue Taslon pants, straight or tapered
- Navy Blue Shorts or Skort – knit or drill – mid thigh length or longer.
- Tartan Skirt – 5cm off ground whilst kneeling. Black stockings or pantyhose may be worn underneath.

Footwear

- Plain predominately black lace up/buckle shoe, less than 3cm heel.
- Navy, black, or white socks.
- Black plain flat sandals without socks. No slides, scuffs, or jandals.

PE

Compulsory when offsite at interschool sporting activities:

- Navy RVAS PE top (purchase from school office). **Currently looking at alternate options**
- Navy blue or black shorts.

Non-uniform for regular PE classes at RVAS:

- Any sleeved t-shirt (not sleeveless or singlet).
- Any shorts (no tight athletic wear such as skins as Outer Layer).
- Modest swimwear, no bikinis. Rash tops encouraged.

Headwear - Optional

- Seniors are encouraged to wear hats, plain navy or black no logo.
- Navy school beanie

Year 12,13 – same as above or

- Black Dress Pants
- White Dress Shirt
- Navy Tie
- Navy Blazer to be ordered through office

Most Uniform pieces can be purchased from any local stores – Warehouse, Postie, Etc.

Mainland Uniform have the Tartan Skirt – and they also have listed other pieces to provide a one stop shop for those who wish to use it. Not compulsory.

<https://www.mainlanduniforms.nz/209-rai-valley-area-school-y7-y13>

Primary News

Head of Primary News

Karen Davies

Already we are in week 4 of the term, and it is great to see the weather has had a turn for the better.

The team from Stadium 2000 has been with us all week and most of the students have been enjoying the intense physical activities and the education that goes with them. We are very lucky to have them come all the way out here to Rai.

Later in the year I hope to organise a day for all year 1-8 students so we can go into the arena and pool in Blenheim and have a fun day practising all that we have learnt this week.

This is also a great programme for practising the Key Competencies that we teach here at school. Thinking, managing themselves, participating, contributing and problem solving all mixed up together with a good dose of fun!

As the weather is fine and sunny hats need to be worn whenever the children are outside. Physical activity being the exception some times as it won't stay on their heads.

Next week, as we change back to our regular timetable for breaks and lunch, we are encouraging the students to stay in one place to eat and not run around on the field with food and wrappers in their hands. It just helps to keep the school grounds tidy and germ free. Running around with food in your mouth is also a choking hazard.

Room 8, the juniors, have moved over into their new classroom this week. Mrs Carver has done a good job of setting it up and making it a welcoming learning space. Like all renovations or new builds there is always something left to finish when we want to move in. We are thankful that the builders are chipping away at these small jobs to get everything completed for us. The classrooms will be great learning spaces for everyone.

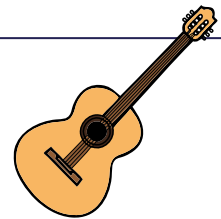
Kiwi Can and music started again last week, (although is no running this week because of fundamentals but we will be welcoming them back again next week). Those that were interested in the speech programme or guitar with Mrs Baxter need to respond to me or to the office by next Wednesday.

Please also remember hats and togs every day, especially while the weather is good.

Ngā mihi

Karen Davies

Guitar Classes



Calling all budding guitarists. Anyone interested in Beginner Guitar Lessons **on a Wednesday during school time (1.45 - 2.15pm)** please put name at office for Sam Baxter

What do you think of the look of our new Newsletter Feedback welcome

Fundamental Skills Week



Sports & Community News

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GRAND TOTAL:			

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GardenPost BULB FUNDRAISER



Daffodils - Mixed



Anemone St Brigid (Doubles)



Daffodil - "Grand Monarch"



Tulips - Mixed



Freesias - Single and Double



Ranunculus - Mixed



Dutch Iris - Mixed



Sweet Pea - Early Multiflora

Sports & Community News

Pelorus Netball

PELORUS JUNIOR NETBALL TRIALS 2022

to be held on March 29th, at the Havelock Domain
This is for all girls & boys, Years 1 to 8 that are keen to Play netball for this season.

If its raining we will go into the pavilion.

First Games- future ferns 1/2yrs & 3/4yrs

- Friday May 6th
- Saturday 7th May- 5/6 yrs & 7/8 yrs

Look forward to seeing everyone any questions, just give me a ring or email me. Sonya Masters is helping me with the Juniors this season, she has an outstanding knowledge of netball, which is exciting for this season.

Junior Co-ordinators

Ali Millar

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The Kiwi Can Corner

Respect Whakaute
Means treating people, things and places as important.

This week in Kiwi Can we'll be learning more about respect for ourselves. We'll be kicking off by exploring ideas about strengths - and what makes us unique.

Why not have a chat with your child to carry on the learning at home? Here are some conversation starters for this week:

- What does "respect" mean to you?
- If we are showing respect for ourselves, what could we be doing?
- Why is it important to respect ourselves?
- What are some of your strengths?
- What are some things that make you unique?
- Why is it important that we understand our own uniqueness and respect others?

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